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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Sherry Anne La Tourneau, 32, Roberts, Wis., was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 24 months in federal prison for the interstate sale of stolen goods. La Tourneau pleaded guilty to this charge on February 6, 2008.

From approximately August 1999 to July 23, 2004, Sherry La Tourneau was employed as a computer support technician for GE Security, in North St. Paul, Minn. During that time, La Tourneau stole parts for home security systems from GE Security and sold the parts on eBay from her home in River Falls, Wis. It was determined that La Tourneau received approximately \$93,000 from her illegal activity. The total loss to GE Security was approximately \$450,000.

The charges against La Tourneau were the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Ramsey County, Minn. Sheriff's Department, and the River Falls Police Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.